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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1623**

PATENT  
2224-142P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Y. NAKANISHI, et al. CONF. NO.: 6638  
SERIAL NO: 09/145,987 GROUP: 1623  
FILED: September 3, 1998 EXAMINER: E. WHITE  
FOR: CELLULOSE ACETATE AND DOPE CONTAINING THE  
SAME

**RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 15, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 21, 2000, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in the above-identified application.

**REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action that was mailed on  
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LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM  
FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

March 15, 2001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a RESPONSE in the above-identified application.

- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via facsimile.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT			HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	21	-	23	=	0		\$ 18	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	2	-	3	=	0		\$ 80	\$0.00
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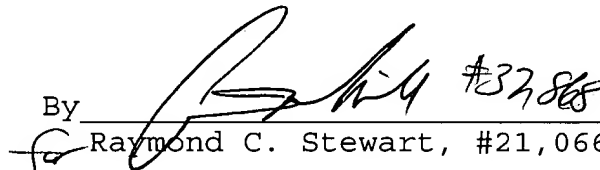
- ☐ Petition for \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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